

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement included in the Office Action mailed July 6, 2007, Applicants elect with traverse Group II, specie 1 related to FIGs 1-2, drawn to an inductor. The Examiner had indicated that claims 8-13 are in this elected Group II, specie 1.

It is respectfully submitted that as a result of the present amendment, claim 8 is in Group I and new claims 17-18 are in Group II. Further, claim 10 is canceled without prejudice. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the elected Group II, specie 1, includes claims 9, 11-13 and 17-18 related to FIGs 1-2. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of the non-elected claims in a divisional or other continuing application.

The Examiner states that claim 1 is generic. However, it is believed that claim 9 is also generic. Further, it is respectfully submitted that claims 14-15 should also be part of Group II, specie 1 associated with FIGs 1-2 since, at least, the cross-conductors (recited in claims 14-15) are shown in the illustrative embodiment of FIG 2 associated with Group II, specie 1 as reference numerals

6, 7, 8.

It is believed that claims 1-9 and 11-18 should all be examined on the merits.

Applicants' traversal is based at least on the fact that identified the embodiments are so closely related that the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden.

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... If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions.

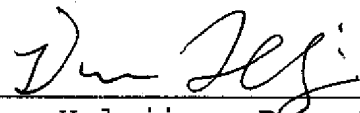
Applicants' traversal is based at least on the fact that a search encompassing the embodiments of elected Group II, specie 1, such as claims 9, 11-13 and 17-18, are so closely related to Group I, species 2-4, such as claims 1-8 and 14-16, that the search and examination of Group II, specie 1, claims 9, 11-13 and 17-18 necessitates a search of the elements encompassed by Group I, species 2-4, claims 1-8 and 14-16. In fact, due to the nature and relationship of the claim elements, a search of the Group II, specie 1 claims will likely encompass prior art related to the Group I, species 2-4 claims. Accordingly, a search and examination

of the entire application can be made without serious burden.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of the application on its merits are now respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

It is believed that no additional fees or charges are currently due beyond the five-month extension of time fee of \$2230 to be charged to the credit card as concurrently paid herewith. However, in the event that any additional fees or charges are required for entrance of the accompanying amendment, they may be charged to Applicants' representatives Deposit Account No. 50-3649. In addition, please credit any overpayments related to any fees paid in connection with the accompanying amendment to Deposit Account No. 50-3649.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Petition for five month extension of time
Petition to withdraw holding of abandonment

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